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APPLICANT: Jie Chu et al.  
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TO AN UMBRELLA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM  
  
EXAMINER: Winder, Patrice L.  
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**APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

These comments are responsive to the Notice of Allowance mailed on  
October 8, 2004, which sets forth the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

The Examiner is thanked for the kind allowance of all pending claims (i.e. claims  
17-23, 28, 29, 32, 33, 36, and 39-42). Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's statement  
of reasons for allowance as set forth in the Notice of Allowance. However, Applicants  
point out that the reasons for allowability of the above referenced claims are not limited  
to the reasons for allowance as set forth in the Notice of Allowance, and that additional


reasons for allowability may exist, each of which may be independently sufficient to establish the patentability of one or more pending claims.

Applicants respectfully reserve the right to introduce, articulate, or otherwise comment on any such additional reasons for allowance as may be appropriate in any future proceedings concerning the claimed invention.

Please charge any additional required fee or credit any overpayment to our deposit account number 50-1698.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**TRANSMITTAL FOR FORMAL DRAWINGS**

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated October 8, 2004, attached for filing  
please find five (5) sheets of formal drawings.

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